# Harrisonburg-Rockingham Local Human Rights Committee

# MEETING MINUTES October 15, 2012

**Members Present:** Page Shield, Cindy Ring, and Virgina Luong **Others Present:** Chuck Collins (HR Advocate), Terri Gibbs (The Arc), Crystal Kwolek and Brittany Dean (C.J. Designs), John Humphreys (Fair Haven Residential Services), Kathy Nelson (HRCSB), Heather N. Corbin (Pleasant View, Inc.), and Natalie Rinaca (RMH).

#### CALL TO ORDER/MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

Those in attendance made introductions.

#### **MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes from July 16, 2012 meeting as mailed was made by Cindy Ring, seconded by Virginia Luong and unanimously approved by the Committee.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comments.

## AFFILIATION CONSIDERATION WAS PRESENTED

CJ Design presented a Sunset Ridge program with the description and program rules for a new supervised residential program designed for 3 mental health individuals housed on the second floor of their current site of Sunset Ridge. A motion to affiliate this program with the HR LHRC was motioned, seconded and unanimously approved by the HRLHRC committee members.

#### ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORTS

HRCSB- Kathy Nelson provided the Annual Report. HRCSB provides an array of services to adults and children with mental health, intellectual disability, and/or substance use concerns. Services include MH, ID and SA Case management, medication management, mental health supports, psychosocial rehabilitation, and individual and group MH and SA psychotherapy, emergency services, residential support, early intervention services, peer support services and crisis stabilization in a residential setting. The CSB served a total of 1980 individuals during the 2011 calendar year. Human Rights training is provided to all new staff and students through a power point orientation and quiz, additional information is provided at a group orientation session held during the first month of employment. All staff complete an annual Human Rights training by attending a yearly in-service or by reviewing the power point module of training. This year's in-service was provided by the regional advocate, Chuck Collins. Five Human Rights issues were presented; one peer-to peer, 2 informal complaints and 2 formal complaints.

**CC & Associates** – Christy Collins provided the Annual Report. CC & Associates provides community based support in the August and Rockingham Counties and the city

of Harrisonburg. Providing intensive residential support and drop in support. The services provided in the Rockingham and Harrisonburg area are provided at two residential sites that house 5 individual each and in the apartments of several individuals. Human Rights training is provided to new staff at time of hire and annually thereafter. Sixteen Human Rights issues were reported with 10 of them being medication errors. Five were peer-to-peer incidents and one a verbal allegation.

## ADVOCATE REPORT

Chuck Collins shared an update on the region's progress with the DOJ requirements. He reported on the status of new START Program located in the Charlottesville and reported New Hope Detox Center is slated to close. Reminded affiliates to send all Serious Injury Reports to Stella Stith at the Department's Central Office. And shared, WSH continues its track to open the Fall of 2013.

# OTHER BUSINESS /AFFILIATE COMMENTS

John Humphries shared his desire to have more regulation trainings made available to private providers.

Chuck Collins announced Human Rights Training for Committee Members and Affiliates planned for Wednesday, November 14 from 10 am till noon. The event will be hosted by the The Arc and held in the auditorium of the Lucy Simms Building.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2012 at 2:00 pm. (The third Monday of the month of January is a Holiday). The meeting will be held in the Lucy F. Simms Board Conference Room. The Lucy F. Simms Building is located at 620 Simms Avenue Harrisonburg, VA 22802

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Ring HRLHRC Secretary

Kathy Nelson HRCSB Liaison/Recording Secretary